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ORDERED, that the following Rules to prevent Youths educated in the Free Schools founded by Erasmus Smith from turning Papists, be duly observed in each of the said Schools. 12th July  
1712.

1st. That Prayers be read Morning and Evening in each of the said Schools, by the Master or Usher, out of the Liturgy by Law established, at which every Youth shall be obliged duly to attend.

2d. That every Youth educated in the said Schools shall be instructed by the Master or Usher in Doctor Mann's *Catechism*, and upon Sundays be publickly examined in the same in the Church.

3d. That every Person educated in the said Schools, shall duly attend the publick Service in the Parish Church, where each School is situated, every Lord's Day, and such other Time as the Master or Usher shall appoint, and upon Neglect thereof, after due Admonishment, to be expelled the said Schools.

4th. That every Person so educated, when he is sufficiently instructed in the aforesaid *Catechism*, shall be brought by the Master or Usher to the Bishop to be confirmed.

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The said Rules to be sent to each of the Masters, and to be affixed up in each of the Schools.

15th January  
1730.

For preventing Dilapidations, Schoolmasters shall not be paid the half Year's Salary due the 1st of May, without a Certificate of Houses and Schools being in good and sufficient Repair, to be signed by the Mayor and Warden of Galway, the Minister of Tipperary and next Justice of Peace, the Mayor and Vicar of Drogheda, and the Minister of Ennis and next Justice of Peace, and such Workmen as they shall respectively appoint, and that the Usher of Drogheda shall do the same.

29th January  
1740.

Ordered, that the Names and Number of Boys, be returned and certified as the Repairs are certified, or the Salaries not to be paid.

3d February  
1742.

Ordered, that no Master or Usher shall be paid unless a Certificate from the Chief Magistrate, and Minister shall be returned of the *Residence and Attendance of them respectively*.

20th May  
1756.

The Orders of the 15th of January 1730, which subject the several School Masters to the Repairs of their respective Houses and School-houses are revived, and to be enforced; that said Masters be required to make all Repairs, not as formerly, in a slight and superficial, but in the most substantial and effectual Manner, and annually to return Certificates according to the said former Orders and Affidavits of Workmen appointed by the Persons certifying, or by the Treasurer to view and report the true State of the Buildings and every Part of them.

That to enable the said School Masters to defray the greater Expence of these substantial and effectual Repairs, an annual Addition be made to  
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the Salary of each of them of £33: 6s. 8d. during the Pleasure of the Board, this Addition to take Place from the 1st of *May* instant.

Lastly, that to guard against Accidents of Death, or concealed Neglect, the Treasurer do always retain one half Year's full Salary, *i. e.* £50 to be by him applied in the whole or in part to make good whatever shall be found wanting when any such Accidents happen, to put the Buildings into the good State in which it was the Duty of the said Master's to have preserved them.

That Copies of these Orders, together with Copies of the former ones to which they refer, be sent to each of the School Masters, and that they be informed, that the Governors will peremptorily insist on the exact Observance of them, and that the certain Consequence of any the least Neglect of them will be immediate Dismission.

Ordered, that the like Copies be delivered to every School Master who shall hereafter be chosen at the Time that he receives his Instrument of Admission to the Intent that no one may pretend Ignorance in Excuse of his Neglect of them.

The Board having granted an Augmentation of Income to the Masters of the several Schools in Consideration of keeping their Houses and Schools in repair.

Ordered, that the Masters for the future shall give Receipts for Salary and Repairs.

Ordered, that on all further Vacancies in the Masterships or Usherships of the Schools on the Foundation, the Register shall advertise such Vacancy and the Circumstances of the Preferment in the

18th February  
1790.

the publick Papers, and direct all Persons desirous of being Candidates to state as early as possible to the said Register their Names, Places of Abode, Standing in the College and other Pretensions to succeed to the Places so vacant as aforesaid, and that the Register shall exhibit all such Applications at the first Board which shall be afterwards held.

27th May  
1795.

Ordered, that the Masters of all Erasmus Smith's Grammar Schools, use the last Edition of the Greek Exercises published by the Rev. Doctor *Huntingford*, Warden of Winchester College.

Ordered, that the Masters of all Erasmus Smith's Grammar Schools, teach their senior Classes, or cause them to be taught, the Hebrew Language; agreeably to the Will of the Founder.—The Grammar recommended is that in Use at Westminster School.

1st December  
1714.

Ordered, that the Provost and Senior Fellows of Trinity College, do return a List of the present Exhibitioners, and that they do annually on the first Wednesday after Trinity Sunday return a List of such others as they shall hereafter recommend to the Governors for Exhibitioners.

16th October  
1738.

Ordered, that Lectures in Oratory and History, and natural and experimental Philosophy, do lodge Lectures with the Treasurer every half Year, or not to be paid.

23th January  
1743.

Ordered, that every Professor appointed by this Board, shall continue only during such Time as he holds his Fellowship in the College and no longer; if it shall be the Pleasure of the Governors that he continues so long, and that the Pro-  
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voft and Fellows do notify to the Treasurer the Time that any Professor appointed by this Board do resign or remove from his Fellowship.

Ordered, that in all future Receipts for the Sum of £940 a Year, payable to the College, the Burfar do fet forth the Particulars for which the fame is granted. *26th March 1766.*

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Ordered, that no Lease or Contract of any Part of the Trust Lands be granted or made to any Person or Persons, in less than two Months Time after Application hath been made to the Board; and that no Lease be renewed of any Part of the Estate unless fifteen of the Governors are present, the Treasurer to be one if able to attend. *8th May 1739.*

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Ordered, that the Board will not receive any Application for the Renewal of any Lease in future, until the last Year of the Term in being is commenced, except Leases, the Profit of which arises chiefly from Houses. *2d February 1748.*

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Ordered, that a Treasurer be chosen annually, and such Treasurer not to be continued longer than three Years, as the Charter directs. *25th April 1739.*

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Ordered, that the Chairman of each succeeding Board, and the Treasurer if present and they only, sign the Orders of the Preceding, being first read over at the Board. *7th January 1761.*

That



6th July  
1775.

7 March  
1776

That in all future Summonses whether for a Board or a Committee, all the different Purposes of the Meeting be mentioned, and that they be delivered two Days at least before the intended Meeting Day.

19th June  
1776.

Resolved, That no greater Sum than £300 be granted towards building any English School, nor a greater Salary than £20 a Year be paid by the Board to any Master.—The Plan drawn by Mr. Cooley, from the Simplicity of the Design, appears extremely proper to be adopted for all future English Schools, which the Governors may think fit hereafter to found.

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